GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4287
ANSWERED ON:20.04.2000
SETTING UP OF CONSUMER COURTS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) The number of consumer Courts set up in the country under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 during the last three years, State-wise, district-wise and years-wise;

(b) Whether the existing number of Consumer Courts are sufficient for the disposal of pending cases;

(c) if not, the steps taken by the Government to increase the number of Consumer Courts in the county in the next three years;

(d) whether such courts are proposed to be set up in every Tehsil; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI SRIRAM CHAUHAN)
(a) One National Commission, 32 State Commissions and 545 District Forums have been set up in the country under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986. The State-wise position of State Commissions and District Forums is given in the Annexure. Year-wise details are not maintained.

(b) & (c) According to the provisions of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 State/U.T. Governments are responsible for setting up of District Forum in each District and a State Commission at the State capital.Depending on the volume of cases, the State Governments can set up additional District forum in the concerned District.

(d) & (e) No, Sir. The Consumer Protection Act, 1986 provides that a District Forum shall be established by the State Government in each district of the State.

ANNEXURE
Statement referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha USQ No.4287 for 20.4.2000

State/UT	No. of State Commission	No.of District Forums
Andhra Pradesh	1	25
Arunachal Pd.	1	13
Assam	1	23
Bihar	1	55
Goa	1	2
Gujrat	1	20
Haryana	1	17
Himachal Pd.	1	12
Jammu & Kashmir	1	2
Karnataka	1	21
Kerala	1	14
Madhya Pd.	1	45
Maharashtra	1	34
Manipur	1	8
Meghalaya	1	7
Mizoram	1	3
Nagaland	1	8
Orissa	1	31
Punjab	1	17
Rajasthan	1	33
Sikkim	1	4
Tamil Nadu	1	24
Tripura	1	3
Uttar Pd.	1	87
West Bengal	1	19
A&N Island	1	2

Chandigarh Adm.	1	2
D&N Haveli	1	1
Daman & Diu	1	2
Delhi	1	9
Lakhsdweep	1	1
Pondicherry	1	1
Total: 32		545